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SUN YAT-SEN TO COME TO CANTON.

It is reported in the native Press that a telegram has been received by the Governor-General of Canton and the Press Society from Sun Yat-sen stating that now that China is peaceful and Yuan Shih-kai has promised to proceed to Nanking to be installed President of China, he (Sun), Wong Ching Wai (formerly nominated as Governor of Canton) and Wu Hon-man (formerly Governor there) will shortly come to Canton in order to establish a sound Government. Sun Yat-sen advises that for the present no change be made in the Governorship but that action be suspended until Sun's arrival, when he will do all in his power to help Canton and raise money for the Government.

It is further reported that yesterday more than 100 telegrams were despatched from Canton to Sun Yat-sen asking that Sun Mi (Sun Yat-sen's elder brother) be appointed Governor of Canton, but Sun Yat-sen again declined to recommend the appointment.

#### VOLUNTEER NOTES.

MUSKETRY FOR MARCH.

King's Park Range at 2.30 p.m. Saturday 9th; Part I; 2.30 a.m. Sunday 10th, Part II; 2.30 p.m. Saturday 16th, Standard Test.

The 6th monthly Cup Shoot will take place as follows: King's Park Range (500 yards), Saturday 23rd March from 2.30 to 4 p.m.; Sunday 24th March from 9.30 to 11 a.m.

The Standard Test will be carried out immediately after the Cup Shoot on the 23rd and 24th March for members who have not completed their Musketry Course. It is requested that all members who have not completed their Musketry Course will make a special effort to do so on the dates mentioned. Members are also requested to be punctual on the Range at the hour laid down for commencement.

DRILLS.

Drills will be carried out at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday during March.

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The Company's Steamship 'SUI AN'.

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N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday leaving at 7.30 a.m. and from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m., from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

This steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 5 p.m.

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Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

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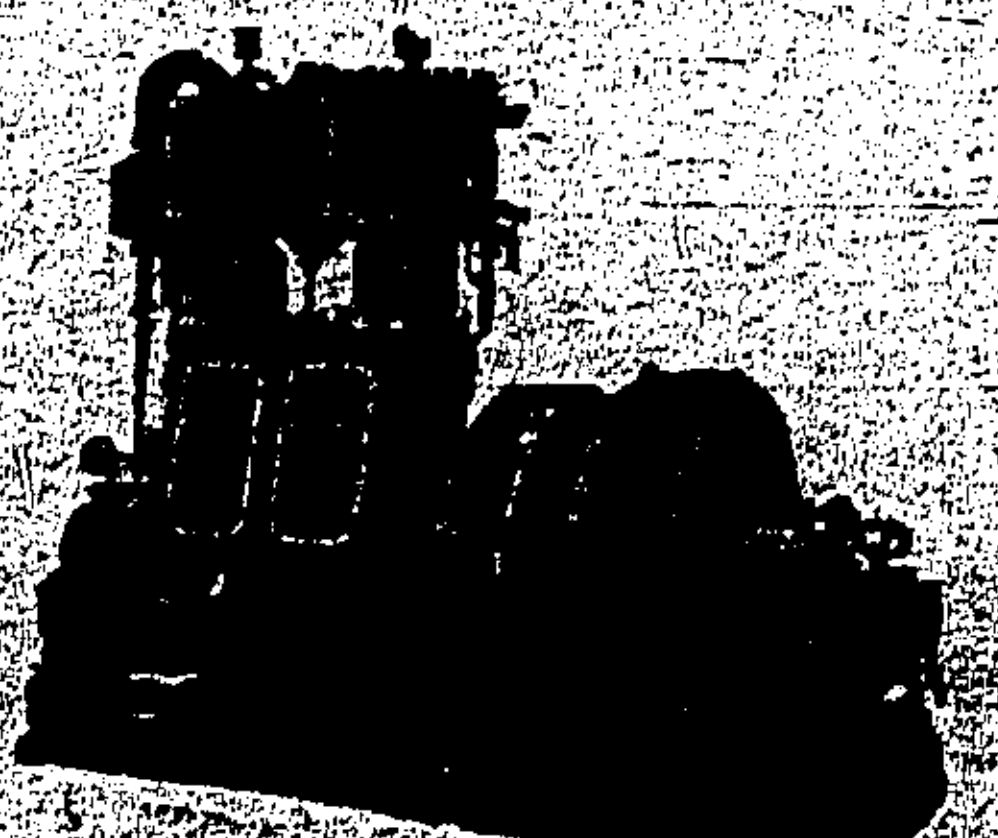
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THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS will be held at the Offices of  
the General Managers at 12 Noon, on  
WEDNESDAY, 28th instant, to receive a  
Statement of the Company's Accounts to  
31st December, 1911, and the Report of  
the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 18th inst.  
to the 28th instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 12, 1912. 197

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of the Members of the HONGKONG  
GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will  
be held on THURSDAY, the 29th February,  
1912, at 4 o'clock p.m., precisely, in the  
Old Chamber of Commerce Room, CITY  
HALL, for the following purposes:—

(1) To receive the Report and Accounts  
of the Committee for the year ended  
31st December, 1911.

(2) To elect a new Committee.

(3) To transact any General Business.  
By Order,  
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 22, 1912. 250

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO.,  
LIMITED.

THE FORTY-THIRD MEETING OF  
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company  
will be held at the Company's Office, No. 9,  
Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on  
THURSDAY, the 7th March, 1912, at 12  
o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving  
a Statement of Accounts and the Report  
of the Directors for the year ending 31st  
December, 1911.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from 23rd February  
to 7th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
H. F. HICKMAN,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, February 15, 1912. 231

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE 22nd ORDINARY ANNUAL  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
in the above COMPANY will be held at  
the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. George's  
Building, 4, Connaught Road, Victoria, on  
SATURDAY, the 9th March, 1912, at  
11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving  
a Statement of Accounts and the Report of  
the General Managers for the year ending  
31st December, 1911, and electing a Con-  
sulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from WEDNES-  
DAY, 6th to SATURDAY, the 9th March,  
1912, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 23, 1912. 273

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## BURNS AND FREEMASONRY.

(From Our Scottish Correspondent.)

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## Intimations.

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acceptance of the tender.

F. WESTON,  
Naval Store Officer,  
H. M. Naval Yard,  
Hongkong, February 26, 1912. 263

TUESDAY,  
March, 5th,

5.30 p.m.

ORGAN RECITAL.

ST. JOHN'S  
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Hongkong, February 26, 1912. 273

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

DURING my absence and until further  
notice Mr. MOWBRAY STAFFORD  
NORTHCOKE has been appointed ACT-  
ING SECRETARY.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
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Hongkong, February 24, 1912. 265

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THE COAL CRISIS.  
AN ATMOSPHERE OF  
PESSIMISM.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
Latest reports from the coalfields, resolutions passed at miners' meetings, and interviews with the owners and the miners' leaders are almost wholly pessimistic, but it is understood that Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George will be allowed to address the Miners' Federation to-morrow.

The *Daily News* says it is believed that they will announce important concessions as the result of the conferences with the owners, in connection with the minimum wage question, which it is hoped will induce the men to suspend the notices, pending negotiation as to the details of the agreement.

Mr. Asquith has appealed to the dominant personalities among the Welsh coal owners, on patriotic grounds, to accept any decision arrived at by the English coal owners. The former agreed to do so.

On the other hand, preparations are being made in practically all the garrison towns for the despatch of troops to the coal fields, and arrangements are being made at Aldershot to send 16,000 men the moment they are required.

## HOPE YET.

LATER.  
The miners in some districts have agreed to keep a sufficient staff in the mines to pump out the water.

## THE MINIMUM WAGE.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 27.  
Coal-owners in England and Scotland have not only agreed to the minimum wage for abnormal places but as a general principle, excepting for old men and boys, to which the miners are agreeable; consequently the owners have informed Mr. Asquith that considerable progress has been made towards peace.

It is assumed that the Government will make a special effort to bring in the reconciliation in Wales.

## NO SYMPATHY IN WEST-PHALLIA.

A large body of Rhondda and West-phallian miners have resolved emphatically against an Anglo-sympathetic strike declaring that as during the German strikes England flooded Germany with coal, they won't pull the chestnuts out of the fire for Englishmen.

## STRIKE BEGINS AT CHESTERFIELD.

At Chesterfield the miners have struck work, their notices expire. They are perfectly orderly. Negotiations at the last moment failed.

## SYMPATHETIC STRIKE IMPROBABLE.

The Amalgamated Society of Railway-men advises its members to do nothing to precipitate a general sympathetic strike until further notice.

## ANOTHER OWNERS' CONFERENCE.

Coal-owners tonight reconferred with Mr. Asquith in Downing Street.

## A FIREBRAND ARRESTED.

A man has been charged at Aldershot with inciting soldiers to traitorous practices. It is alleged that he distributed pamphlets calling upon the soldiers to side with the strikers and to refuse to fire.

## THE NAVY PREPARED.

Mr. Winston Churchill says that measures were adopted two months ago rendering the British Fleet independent of the consequences of a coal strike for a considerable time. At present it was unnecessary to interfere with sea-trading if reasonable economy was observed.

## GLASGOW BYE-ELECTION.

GREAT DWINDLING IN RADICAL MAJORITY.  
(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 27.

Mr. McKinnon Wood has been re-elected for the St. Rollox division of Glasgow by 5,550 votes; his Unionist antagonist, Mr. Macdonald, received 4,100 votes.

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NEW CHINA.  
THE NANKING VISIT.

(*Wah Tsa Yat Po Service.*)  
SHANGHAI, Feb. 25.  
Yuan Shih-kai has promised that on his visit to Nanking to take over the Presidency he will not bring his troops with him.

Sun Yat-sen will go to Pukow to meet Yuan.

It is reported that Yuan Shih-kai proposes after he has been installed as President to go to Tientsin to establish a Cabinet there.

## TANG SHAO-YI.

Yuan Shih-kai and Sun Yat-sen are said to have agreed that Tang Shao-yi shall be the Prime Minister.

CHINESE COMPLAINT AGAINST DUTCH.

PEKING, Feb. 25.  
The Chinese in the Dutch Indies have telegraphed to the Board of Foreign Affairs complaining of ill-treatment by the Dutch.

The Board has approached the Dutch Minister on the matter and telegraphed the complaint to the Chinese Minister in Holland.

## HELP FROM YUAN SHIH-KAI.

Yuan Shih-kai has sent a sum of seven million taels to the Government at Nanking.

Yuan has promised to go to Nanking to be installed as President.

## A NEW DEVELOPMENT.

Telegrams have been received from Chinese in foreign countries refusing to recognise Yuan Shih-kai as President and disagreeing with the decisions of the Peace Conference.

Yuan has sent telegrams in reply explaining the reasons underlying the decisions of the Conference and begging the objectors to recognise him as President.

## NOTED JUDGE'S DEATH.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
The death is announced of Sir Gainsford Bruce, P.C.

(Note.—The deceased, who has been a Judge under the Benefices Act since 1899, was 78 years of age. Educated at Glasgow University, he was called to the Bar in 1873, and was appointed Recorder of Bradford in 1877 and made a Q. C. in 1883. He was successively Solicitor-General, Attorney General and Chancellor of the County Palatine, and later became M.P. for Finsbury. From 1892 to 1904 he was a Judge of the King's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice. Ed. 2. M.)

## THE TURCO-ITALIAN WAR.

## EXPULSION OF ITALIANS.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
A telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that the Cabinet has decided to expel all Italians, with the exception of ecclesiastics, from the vilayets of Beyrut, Damascus, Jerusalem, and Aleppo, allowing them fifteen days in which to leave.

A telegram from Reuter's Beyrut agent states that over two hundred spectators on the quays were killed by the Italian fire on Saturday, and that some of the business premises were damaged. The Vah of Beyrut, telegraphing on Sunday, says the total casualties are incomplete, but about fifty of the Awmi-Allah's crew are missing.

## MONGOLIA.

## AID FROM RUSSIA.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
The *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent at St. Petersburg reports that the new Government of Mongolia has asked the Russian Government for a loan of a million roubles, and has also asked for Russian instructors to organize a national army.

## U. S. PRESIDENCY.

## MR. ROOSEVELT WILLING.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
Reuter's correspondent at New York reports that Mr. Roosevelt is willing to accept the nomination for President of the United States.

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TOKYO MUNICIPAL LOAN.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 27.  
The portion of the Tokyo loan floated in London has been closed. The underwriters take half. The loan closed to-day at par.

## THE SUGAR QUESTION.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
A Brussels telegram says the Sugar Commission did not meet to-day owing to the absence of a Russo-German agreement. The commission will probably meet next week.

## AUSTRALIAN CRICKET ORIGIN.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 25.  
Reuter's correspondent at Sydney wires that Mayne, Kellaway, Emery, Matthews, Jennings, and Whitty have been selected for inclusion in the Australian team for the Triangular Test. The South Australian Cricket Association has cabled to the Board of Cricket, contending that the Chairman exceeded his powers in cancelling the invitations to Armstrong, Ransford, Carter, Cotter and Trumper, and urging a special meeting of the Board in Melbourne, with the view to securing the best team, in fairness to their prospective opponents, and in the interests of Australian cricket.

## TEST CRICKET IN S AMERICA.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
Reuter's Buenos Aires correspondent telegraphs that in the second Test Match the M.C.C. team has scored 266 and 250, and Argentine 206 and 18 for three wickets.

## RAIN STOPS TEST MATCH.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
A Sydney telegram states that owing to a downpour of rain, there was no play in the fifth Test match to-day.

## CIVIL SERVICE ESTIMATES.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
The Civil Service estimates show a surplus of £1,484,863.

## ROYAL BEREAVEMENT.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
The death has occurred of the Grand Duke William Alexander of Luxembourg. He will be succeeded by his eldest daughter, aged seventeen years.

(Note.—The Grand Duke was 59 years of age. He married Princess Maria Anna of Braganza in 1893 and succeeded to the Grand Dukedom on November 17th, 1905. —Ed. C. M.)

## NEW ZEALAND'S CITIZEN SOLDIERS.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
A message from Reuter's agent at Wellington states that the defence authorities report that great enthusiasm and keenness is shown by the Territorials in their annual camp, while the work being done is excellent.

## ITALY'S WAR BURDEN.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)  
LONDON, Feb. 26.  
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## HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

## Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society was held at the City Hall on Monday evening, Feb. 26. The President, Mr. H. H. E. Pollock, K.C., presided, and there was a good attendance of ladies, including Mrs. Pollock, Hon. Secretary, and Mrs. Atkinson, Hon. Treasurer.

The Chairman read the annual report as follows:—The ladies of the committee beg to submit the following report and statement of accounts for 1911. During the past year the work of the society has greatly increased, and more applications have been received than in any previous year. In all 66 cases were brought before the committee and after careful investigation 57 were helped. Of these 43 were men, 14 were women, and 1 was a child. The cases were of various kinds, but the majority were of the kind known as 'paupers' or 'pauperesque' cases, where the man or woman was unable to support his or her family, and was in need of help.

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VICTORIA, B.O. & SEAT, TEL, via SHANGHAI, MOU, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & YOKOHAMA	AKI MARU, Capt. K. Homma, Tons 7000	WEDNESDAY, 13th Mar., at Daylight.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURS, DAY ISLAND, TOWNS, VILLE AND BRISBANE.	IKABA MARU, Capt. S. Tominga, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 27th Feb., at Noon.
	TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Noda, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 26th Mar., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Tada, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 15th Mar., at Noon.
	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 12th April, at Noon.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	KIRIN MARU, Capt. M. Deguchi, Tons 4000	MONDAY, 26th Feb., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOU AND KOBE	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. J. Tanaka, Tons 5000	WEDNESDAY, 28th Feb., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAGA MARU, Capt. M. Hagino, Tons 7000	THURSDAY, 29th Feb., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	WEDNESDAY, 13th Mar., at Noon.

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## FOR EUROPE.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
TANGO MARU	8000	K. Kawano	Feb. 28th
KAMO MARU	8000	T. K. Sommer	March 13th
AKI MARU	8000	A. O. Moore	March 27th
MISAKI MARU	7000	M. Hagino	April 10th
ASHITA MARU	8000	Wm. Thompson	April 24th

## FOR SEATTLE.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
INABA MARU	7000	S. Tominga	Feb. 27th
TAMBA MARU	7000	K. Noda	Feb. 26th
NIKKO MARU	6000	M. Tada	March 15th
YAMATO MARU	7000	T. K. Sommer	March 27th

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Manchuria.....	18,000 "	Apr. 30th, at 1 p.m.
Mongolia.....	27,000 "	May 20th, at 1 p.m.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to Alteration). SAN FRANCISCO LINE—

Steamer	Captain	Date of Sailing.
Nippon Maru.....	A. G. Stevens.....	Friday, 8th Mar., at Noon.
Tenyo Maru.....	E. Best.....	FRIDAY, 15th MARCH, at Noon.
Shiyo Maru.....	H. S. Smith.....	TUESDAY, 9th APRIL, at Noon.
Chiyo Maru.....	W. W. Gaxner.....	TUESDAY, 17th MAY, at Noon.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to Alteration). SOUTH AMERICA LINE—

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
Buyo Maru.....	11,500.....	Tuesday, 9th April, at Noon.
Hongkong Maru.....	11,000.....	FRIDAY, 7th JUNE, at Noon.
Kiyo Maru.....	17,000.....	TUESDAY, 6th AUGUST, at Noon.

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For Shanghai, Kobe &amp; Yokohama

S.S. BELGIUM, 1st Mar.

S.S. SAHARA, 1st Mar.

S.S. G. V. LAKSHMI, 2nd Mar.

S.S. SIBIRIA, 10th Apr.

S.S. GUADALUPE, 1st May.

S.S. BAYERN, 1st May.

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## Shipping

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

STEAMERS	To SAIL
SHANGHAI	WAIHING, WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHOYANG, THURSDAY, Feb. 29, at Noon.
TIENSIN	CHONGSHING, FRIDAY, Mar. 1, Daylight.
MANILA	LOONGSANG, SATURDAY, Mar. 2, at 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOU	FOOKANG, THURSDAY, Mar. 7, at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG, SATURDAY, Mar. 9, at Noon.
MANILA	YUNTSANG, SATURDAY, Mar. 9, at 2 p.m.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN. (Occupying 24 days). The steamers Kutsang, Noyang and Fookang leave about every 5 weeks for Shanghai, returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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## EASTWARD

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## WESTWARD

The S.S. FULLIA, will leave Hongkong for SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON on the 7th March, 1912, followed by the S.S. FAZILKA.

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For	Steamers	Date of Departure.
LONDON & ANTWERP	'CARMARTHENSIRE'	4th March.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	'GLAMORGANSIRE'	15th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	'DEN OF GLAMIS'	31st March.

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Hongkong, February 15, 1912.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

## SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAU	LUCHOW	Feb. 28, at 4 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & SHANGHAI	KANSU	Feb. 29, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	CHIHWA	Feb. 29, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	ASHU	Mar. 2, Midnight.
HONGHAI & RAIPHONG	SINGAI	Mar. 2, at 10 a.m.
TIENSIN via WEIHAIWEI	HUIHOW	Mar. 3, Daylight.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAI	Mar. 6, at 4 p.m.

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For	STEAMERS	Tons	To SAIL
MANILA, NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIER, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	PRINZ ERNST FRIEDRICH	(16,000)	TUESDAY, 6th Mar., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZESS ALICE	(20,300)	About WEDNESDAY, 6th Mar.
MANILA, YAP, ANGAUR, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	PRINZ SIGISMUND	(6,750)	Not fixed yet
Kobe and Yokohama	PRINZ LUDWIG	(6,000)	TUESDAY, 12th March
KUDAT, AMP, SANDAKAN	PRINZESS ALICE	(6,000)	Middle of March

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THE departure of the Steamship COBLENZ, Captain L. KURST, has been unavoidably POSTPONED.

Further particulars will be issued later on. For Freight or Passage, apply to NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELBOURNE & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, February 24, 1912.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Hongkong, Madras and Manilla.

THE Steamship GREGORY AGAR, Captain R. H. BROWN, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 28th inst., at 1 p.m.

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Hongkong, February 21, 1912.



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THE Steamship ASSAYE, Captain G. W. COCKBURN, carrying the Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 2nd March, 1912, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship Mores 11,000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers accommodation in which is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, Tea and Cargo for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles & London; other cargo for London, will be conveyed to Bombay by the S.S. Persia due in London on the 12th April, 1912.

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Hongkong, February 20, 1912.

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THE Steamship BURMESE PRINCE, Captain Macdonald, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 14th March.

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Hongkong, February 15, 1912.

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Steamers	Leave Hongkong	Connecting Steamers from Colombo to	Due	Due
to		Marine Lines and	Marine Lines	Plymouth
Colombo		London	(Brindisi)	(London)
			3 days earlier	1 day later
Steamer	Tons	Steamer	Tons	Day
ASSAYE	7500	MOREA	11000	March 30
INDIA	8000	Through Steamer		April 13
DEVANEA	8000	MOLDAVIA	11000	April 27
DELTA	8000	MALWA	11000	May 11
ASSAYE	7500	MALWA	11000	May 25
OCCEANA	7000	CHINA	8000	June 8
DEVANEA	8000	MACEDONIA	10000	June 22
ARCADIA	7000	MOREA	11000	July 6

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, with exception of s.s. "INDIA" and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID. Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

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INDIA	March 16	May 3
DEVANEA	March 30	May 17
DELTA	April 13	May 31
ASSAYE	April 27	June 14
OCCEANA	May 11	June 28
DEVANEA	May 25	July 12
ARCADIA	June 8	July 26

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For	Steamers	Captain	To Sail
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	AUSTRALIEN	AILAND	Mar. 11, about 6 p.m.
MARSEILLES, Via Ports	DUMBEA	SELLIER	Mar. 12, at 1 p.m.

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Steamers	Captain	FRIDAY	LEAVING
WATSON	Capt. J. S. Bosch	1st Feb., at 11 a.m.	
WATSON	Capt. J. W. Evans	SUNDAY	2nd Mar., at 10 a.m.

† Not calling at Amoy.

## FOR SWATOW AND RETURN

(Occupying 8 Days)

WATSON	Capt. A. H. Stewart	WEDNESDAY, 28th Feb., at 11 a.m.
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Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Company's wharf near Black Pier.

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## PHILIPPINE STEAMSHIP Co.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	By	Sailing Date
WATSON	4000	S. C. Smith	Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Zamboanga	Thurs. 29th Feb. at 5 p.m.
WATSON	4000	M. O. Smith	Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Zamboanga	Mon. 11th Mar. at 4 p.m.

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	ON OR ABOUT
ORTERIO			6th March
HERCULES			16th March

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FROM HONGKONG.

27th February.

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Hongkong, April 1, 1912.

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Hongkong, August 28, 1911.

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MAIL SCHEDULE

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

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| EASTERN | Apr. 5. | Apr. 27th, at Noon. |
| EASTERN | May 3. | May 25th, at Noon. |

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S.S. AUSTRIA, 12,950 tons, will leave for YOKOHAMA and KOBE, via SHANGHAI about March 1st.

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In aid of the Home for Blind Children, Kowloon, and the Berlin Foundinghouse, by the Band of  
**S.M.S. 'SCHARNHORST.'**  
WEDNESDAY, 28th February, 1912.  
Place at Messrs MOUTRIE & CO., LD.  
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#### HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY. FLOWER SHOW.

ON Ground opposite the Hongkong Club.  
FRIDAY, 1st MARCH:  
Open 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Admission 1/-.  
The Prizes will be distributed at 5 p.m.  
SATURDAY, 2nd MARCH:  
Open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission 50 Cents.  
3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Admission 20 Cents.  
Children Half-Price.  
Tea will be obtained on the ground.  
By permission of Lt. Col. Huxford, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Adams, Mrs. M. E. Field, Mrs. O. E. E. Kelsey, Mrs. G. A. Edwards, Mr. J. H. Kerr, and Mrs. B. H. Macke.  
The band of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry will play on both days from 2.30 to 6 p.m.  
Hongkong, February 27, 1912. 278

#### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Catherine Apor* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from along side.  
Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense.  
Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 28th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.  
Consignees of cargo from Singapore are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside, and to take immediate delivery of the cargo from the ship.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.  
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.  
Agents.  
Hongkong, February 27, 1912. 276

#### TOYO KISEN KAISHA. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU AND JAPAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *NIIPPON MARU* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.  
Cargo remaining on board on Thursday, 29th Feb., at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.  
No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.  
No Claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer at Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on Monday, March 4th, afternoon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.  
All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or in Godown, and examination of same to be arranged.  
All Claims must be filed on or before March 21st otherwise they will not be recognised.  
R. MATSUDA,  
Agent.  
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#### CHEN KWONG & CO., LD. GENERAL IMPORT & EXPORT.

#### CANTON'S LARGE WHOLESALE & RETAIL STORE.

PREPARED, DISPATCHED, AND DELIVERED BY THE STEAMSHIP *NIIPPON MARU* on the 28th February, 1912, at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.  
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#### KOWLOON CROCKET CLUB. THE ANNUAL DINNER will take place at the King Edward Hotel on SATURDAY next, the 2nd March, at 8 p.m.

A. O. BRAUN,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, February 27, 1912. 277

#### HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned at 12 o'clock (noon), on WEDNESDAY, the 13th March.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 13th proximo, both days inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
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HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.  
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#### STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL OUTWARD.

February 6, *Clintworth*, *Indravandi*, *Kaga Maru*,  
February 9, *Alicious*, *Belgravia*, *Su-matra*, *Yaneta*,  
February 13, *Armand Behic*, *Benlomond*, *Montrose*, *St. Patrick*,  
February 16, *Australia*, *Dacca Castle*,  
February 20, *Atsuta Maru*, *Benlomond*, *Condon*, *China*, *Choonah*, *Schwylke*,  
February 23, *Achilles*, *Munaca*, *Orizaba*, *Arabia*, *Glenfu*,  
February 23, *Homeward*,  
February 13, *Brasika*, *Denbighshire*,  
February 16, *Dorchester*,  
February 20, *Nora*, *Peking*, *Tanaka*,  
February 23, *Peleus*, *Tonika*,  
ARRIVALS FROM CHINA.  
February 23, *Iyo Maru*.

#### STEAMERS EXPECTED MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *India* with the *Equinox* Mail, left Singapore on Saturday, the 24th February, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 28th February, at about 4 p.m. This packet brings the parcel Mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 24th January, and for despatch overland on the 31st January.

#### Other Vessels.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Colombo Maru* (Bombay) left Bombay for this port on Saturday, the 24th February, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 28th February, at about 4 p.m. This packet brings the parcel Mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 24th January, and for despatch overland on the 31st January.  
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The H. A. L. s.s. *Amber* left Shanghai on the 26th February, and may be expected here on or about the 2nd March.  
The N. D. L. s.s. *Berlin* which left here on Wednesday, the 21st Feb., at noon, arrived at Singapore on Sunday, the 25th February, at noon.  
The G. P. M. Co.'s s.s. *Montana* arrived at Moul on Monday, the 26th February, at 10 a.m., and left again at 4 p.m. for the same port, where she is due to arrive again on Wednesday, the 28th February.  
The s.s. *Perth* left Hongkong for London on the 27th February, at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd March.

#### POST OFFICE NOTICES.

TRAFFIC OFFICE: The post office is closed on the 27th February, 1912, in accordance with the provisions of the Post Office Act, 1911, in relation to the observance of the Chinese New Year Festival.  
Mails will close for:  
PORT SAFFORD & SAIFONGS: Per *Yaneta*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 28th Feb.  
TAKING Mails for: Peking, the 28th Feb.  
ROBROW & HAIKOW: Per *Yaneta*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 28th Feb.  
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